## AN ORDINANCE

## BY COUNCIL MEMBER JIM MADDOX

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE A 10% SURCHARGE FEE ON COMMERCIAL PARKING IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Atlanta is faced with ongoing challenges in identifying adequate funding for the services it provides to residents, business, and visitors; and

**WHEREAS,** it is imperative that the City find new sources of revenue to meet its service delivery requirements and to better match revenue sources with those who benefit from city services; and

**WHEREAS,** the current census indicates that the City of Atlanta has a resident population of about 450,000; and

**WHEREAS,** the daytime population exceeds one million for which the City has to provide services, which include, but are not limited, to police, fire and public work services; and

**WHEREAS,** a commercial parking surcharge fee would produce revenue from persons using the streets and roads of the city, including the substantial amount of non-resident and tourist vehicular traffic utilizing the city's road transportation network daily; and

**WHEREAS,** a commercial parking surcharge fee can also influence driving habits of the public, encouraging the use of mass transportation, car pooling, and limitation of unnecessary trips, thereby promoting efforts of the city and state to improve air quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that a 10% surcharge fee on commercial parking is hereby established by the City of Atlanta.